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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

David Butler, Esquire Chief Hearing Officer **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.; Docket No. 2021-2-E

Dear David:

By this letter Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC" or the "Company") respectfully requests clarification of the date that its prefiled direct testimony is due to be filed with the Commission in the above-captioned docket. The Notice of Hearing and Prefile Testimony Deadlines ("Notice") issued in this docket informed DESC and other parties of record that the deadline for filing the Company's prefiled direct testimony is Tuesday, February 9, 2021. DESC has been preparing its prefiled direct testimony with that deadline as given.

Recently, however, on January 29, 2021, the Commission issued Order No. 2021-57 in Docket No. 2005-83-A which provides general guidance of deadlines for fuel cases for 2021 and 2022 for several regulated companies including DESC. In Order Exhibit 1 attached to Order No. 2021-57 there is an indication that DESC's prefiled direct testimony due date is February 8, 2021. By letter dated September 14, 2020 and filed in Docket No. 2005-83-A, the undersigned provided comments to the proposed schedule being considered at that time and pointed out this discrepancy. but apparently this point was overlooked when Order No. 2021-57 was issued. Noting that the Notice is directly and specifically applicable to the above-captioned docket while Order No. 2021-57 is more general in its application to fuel cases, we respectfully request that you clarify that DESC will be in full compliance with the deadline for filing its prefiled direct testimony established in the above-captioned docket if it files its prefiled direct testimony with the Commission on February 9, 2021, as set forth in the Notice. Further, we respectfully request that you make this clarification as soon as possible so that we will have comfort in knowing that the date established in the Notice is a date upon which the Company may continue to rely.

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Thank you in advance for your clarification in this matter, and if further information is needed, please advise.

By copy of this letter, we are serving all parties of record.

Very truly yours,

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